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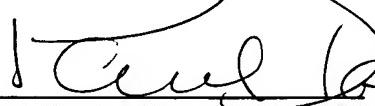
Sir:

Please provide the current status on the above-identified patent application. Our file for the subject application reveals that there has been no action in this application since we filed the application on February 6, 2002.

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